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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:  
Cole

Serial No. 10/028,325

Filed: December 21, 2001

For: Femoral Intramedullary Rod System

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Group Art Unit: 3732

Confirmation No.: 6083

Examiner: Priddy, Michael B.

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner of Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**I. Introductory Comments**

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed May 25, 2004.

No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an additional extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension, or any deficiency in fees, to Haynes and Boone, LLP, Deposit Account No. 08-1394.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in a listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.